at Shantiniketan in West Bengal will be released after the executing agency has fully utilised the amount already released.

Conference of the State Ministers for Tribal Development

2430. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the views expressed by different State Ministers during the conference of the State Ministers for Tribal Development on the 7th January, 1988 at New Delhi with details thereof;

(b) what is the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(c) what steps would be taken on the views expressed by diffrent States?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) and (b) The Conference of State Ministers on Tribal Development was held on 6th January, 1988. The State Ministers generally agreed with the Central Government on the need for improving the planning process for tribal development, strengthening the implementing machinery in tribal areas adequate rehabilitation of displaced tribals, implementation of protective measures and elimination of exploitation in marketing of tribal produce. In this regard, they welcomed the setting up of the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Ltd. They also welcomed and proposed formulation of a National Policy on Rehabilitation of Displaced Tribals.

(c) Follow-up section will be taken with State Governments on making Integrated Tribal Development Project (ITDP) as a unit of planning in tribal areas. Follow-up action will also be taken for strengthening the administrative machinery in these areas with the assistance of State Governments and on devolution of more powers, financial as well as administrative to them. Reviews will be made of the steps taken by the State Governments in implementation of protective measures during Annual Tribal Sub-Plan discussions.

Proposal for construction of Houses for SC/ST

2431. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any State Government has recently sent any proposal to the Central Government for allocation of funds for the construction of houses for the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Action for misappropriation of Jute employees provident fund

2432. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action was taken against those jute barons who misappropriated employees' share of provident fund contribution;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for the delay in taking action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The details of action taken reported by the E..P.F. authorities is as given in the attached statement.

Statement

The complaints filed by the Regional Provident Fund Commissioners against the jute mills for misappropriation of employees' share of contribution, which constitute an offence under section 406/ 409 IPC, have resulted in the following action:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Mill	Action taken
1	2	3
1	Shri Ambica Jute Mills	3 Directors were arrested on 8-12-86 and let out on bail. Investigations are almost complete. Challans have been filed in the Court by the Police and trial is on.
2	Calcutta Jute.	The Director was arrested on 29-10-86 and was let on bail by an interim order of the High Court. Investigation has been stayed by the Court.
3	Titagarh Jute	One person was arrested on 6-2-87 and released on bail. Investigation is going on.
4	Kankoarrah Jute.	The Managing Director was arrested on 18-2-1987 and let on bail by the High Court. High Court has also stayed investigation. The stay order was, however, vacated after 11 months and investigation is being made by the Police.
5	Barrangore Jute.	The Managing Director was arrested in August, 1987 and released on bail. There was a stay on investigation by the High Court. The stay order has, however, since been vacated and the investigation is now being carried out
6	Shyamnugger Jute.	The Factory Manager was arrested on 20-6-87 and bail was granted by the High Court. Investigation has, however, been completed by the Police.
7	Angus Jute.	The establishment had moved the High Court for anticipatory bail, which was refused. However, the arrest could not be affected, as the establishment moved various other Writ Petition overlapping the period of complaints. The stay order has since been vacated. Investigation has been completed by the Police.
8	Kelvin Jute.	Case was registered with the Police. The Police could not, however, effect the arrest of the employer as a Civil Rule was obtained by the Company.
9	Victoria Jute Mills Ltd.	Case was registered with the Police. Although, anticipatory bail was refused by the High Court the arrest could not be effected due to overlapping Writ Petition filed by the establishment. However, the records have been seized. The High Court has also since vacated the stay orders issued so far.

1	2	3
10	Naihati Jute Mills Ltd.	The Managing Director of the establishment was detained. His arrest could not, however, be effected due to the Civil Rule obtained by the establishment.
11	Empire Jute Mills Ltd.	One Director was arrested in March, 1987 and was set free by the High Court by an interim order. The case posted for further hearings. It has not come up so far.
12	Howrah Jute Mills Ltd.	The cases have been filed but no action could be taken by the Police due to the operation of Civil Rules.
13	Gaurishankar Jute Mills	
14	Gauripore Co. Ltd.	
15	New Central Jute.	
16	Budge Budge Ltd.	
17	Eastern Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	
18	Hanuman Jute Mills Ltd.	Civil Rules subsists against initiating any Criminal action.
19	Naffar Chandra Jute Mills Ltd.	
20	Fort William Co. Ltd.	
21	Agarpara Co. Ltd.	
22	Nuddia Mills, Ltd.	
23	Waverly Jute Mills. (Hooghly Mills)	
24	Caledenian Jute Mills Ltd.	
25	Dalhouse Jute Mills	
26	Delta Jute Mills	
27	Wellington Jute Mills	
28	India Jute Mills	
29	Bird Jute & Exports Ltd	Complaints have been filed with the Police.
30	Megna Mills Ltd.	
31	North Brook Mills	
32	Naskarpara Jute Mills	
33	Prem Chand Jute Mills	

Prices of milk in Maharashtra

2433. SHRI RAM AWADESH SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that consumer milk prices are being raised in Maharashtra as reported in the "Hindustan Times" of the 28th February, 1988; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that this is due to non-supply and non-availability of low-priced gifted or commercial milk products to Maharashtra as these are avail-